

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
BALTIMORE DIVISION**

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF
COLLEGES FOR TEACHER
EDUCATION, ET AL

Plaintiffs,

v.

LINDA MCMAHON,
AS SECRETARY OF EDUCATION, ET AL

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 25-cv-00702-JRR

DECLARATION OF JOSHUA W. B. RICHARDS, ESQ.

I, JOSHUA W.B. RICHARDS, declare as follows:

1. I am admitted pro hac vice in this Court in connection with the above-captioned matter.

2. I am a partner at the law firm Saul Ewing LLP, counsel for Plaintiffs the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, the National Center for Teacher Residencies, and the Maryland Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (collectively, “Plaintiffs”).

3. I submit this declaration in support of Plaintiffs’ Response in Opposition to Defendants’ Emergency Motion for Reconsideration.

4. In support of Plaintiffs’ Response in Opposition to Defendants’ Emergency Motion for Reconsideration, I attach a true and correct copies of the following exhibit:

- a. Exhibit A: Email exchange between counsel for Plaintiffs and counsel for Defendants dated March 3, 2025 at 6:21 p.m. serving Plaintiffs’ Complaint

and Motion for Temporary Restraining Order/Preliminary Injunction filed
in this litigation.

I declare that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on the 19th day of March, 2025

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Josh Richards", is written over a horizontal line.

Joshua W.B. Richards (*Admitted Pro Hac Vice*)

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EXHIBIT A

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All,

Please note the attached complaint, motion for temporary restraining order and/or preliminary injunction, and supporting documents that were filed in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland.

You are receiving these as counsel of record in the related case, *National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education et al v. Trump et al*, No. 1:25-cv-00333-ABA. Proper service is underway, but I am sharing these courtesy copies for convenience.

Thank you.

Best,
Daniel



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